

Mr. H. W. J. Biggs exhibited some very fine examples of *Limnæa pereger*, var. *ovata*, Drap., taken from the New River.

ORDINARY MEETING.

FRIDAY, 11TH JUNE, 1920.

G. K. GUDE, F.Z.S., President, in the Chair.

Mr. G. W. Young was elected to membership of the Society.

The following communications were read:—

1. "Note on the Dates of Publication of Brown's Illustrations of British Conchology, 2nd edition." By A. Reynell.
2. "A few varieties of Port Alfred Shells." By G. B. Sowerby, F.L.S.
3. "Description of a new species of *Mitra* from South Africa." By the Rev. Dr. A. H. Cooke, M.A., F.Z.S.
4. "Note on *Marginella guttula*, Sow." By John Shirley, D.Sc.
5. "Preliminary Notice of Roy Bell's Molluscan Collections." By T. Iredale.

Mr. Roy Bell has been collecting at Sunday Island, Kermadec Group, since I left, and the major portion of this collection was reported upon by Mr. W. R. Oliver. Subsequently he made large collections at Norfolk Island and Lord Howe Island, securing almost hundreds of novelties, which I hope fully to account for later. He served in the War, and having his demobilization venue fixed at Melbourne offered to collect Chitons for me if required near that locality. I indicated two desirable points, Port Fairy, in Western Victoria, and Mallacoota, the eastern limit of Victoria. If additional time were available Twofold Bay in New South Wales was suggested as the southernmost point in that colony. He visited Port Fairy first, and securing a representative collection of Chitons, also made valuable collections of marine molluscs generally. He thus added to the known Chiton fauna of Victoria three species, and enlarged the range of some Adelaidean shells into Victoria. At Mallacoota he determined the limits of the Peronian Region, adding a couple more Chiton records to Victoria and definitely establishing the range of others. The influenza epidemic practically prevented his leaving Australia for New Zealand, his home, so he settled at Twofold Bay and made a very extensive collection of marine mollusca in that locality, dredging in shallow water in every part of the Bay. I am now engaged in working out this collection, which is the most valuable yet examined by any extra-limital worker. Many valuable results have been achieved, and the greatest thanks are due to the energy of Mr. Roy Bell, whose field work is complete and unsurpassable in every way.